

My involvement with the Socially Aware Mobility Project as part of the Smart Community Corps internship program was an excellent experience and was tremendously impactful on my career vision.

I sought this internship with the SLS initiative because I was struggling to reconcile my interest in technology and engineering with my concern for sustainability and equity, among other social issues. The internship paired me with a local lab at Georgia Tech that was tackling a prevalent social issue: equitable transportation. My software development skills were exactly what the lab needed to finish building out the technology. For the first time, I experienced a technical job opportunity that served the public good. But I was not just applying my old skills. I learned both new and highly relevant software technologies on the job, and concepts and strategies related to societal challenges. I felt that my energy was directed toward a morally worthy cause, while I was simultaneously refining my skills to stay technologically relevant.



Finally, the internship programming provided excellent sources of information regarding social issues specific to Atlanta, while also fostering a deeper sense of community through accompanying small group-discussions. For someone fascinated by technology but also committed to leaving the world a better place, the SCC internship is perfect.

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